

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 44-52 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend Claim 35 and add new Claims 53-64 as follows.

1-34. (Cancelled)

35. (Currently Amended) A developer supply container for supplying a developer, said developer supply container being detachably mountable to an image forming apparatus, said developer supply container comprising:

a container body configured to contain the developer;

a ~~discharging~~ discharge opening, provided in said container body, configured and positioned to permit discharge of the developer from said container body; and

a shutter member configured and positioned to open and close said ~~discharging~~ discharge opening by rotation thereof,

wherein said shutter member is ~~provided with a plurality of~~ includes a communicating ~~portions communicatable~~ portion capable of fluid communication with said ~~discharging opening so as to open said discharging~~ discharge opening irrespective of the rotational direction of movement of said shutter member.

36-52. (Canceled)

53. (New) A developer supply container according to Claim 35, wherein said shutter member includes a plurality of said communicating portions.

54. (New) A developer supply container according to Claim 53, wherein one of said communicating portions is caused to communicate with said discharge opening by the rotation of said shutter member through a predetermined angle in one rotational direction, and another one of said communicating portions is caused to communicate with said discharge opening by rotation of said shutter member through said predetermined angle in the other rotational direction.

55. (New) A developer supply container according to Claim 53, wherein said shutter member further includes a plurality of closing portions capable of re-closing said discharge opening irrespective of the rotational direction of movement of said shutter member.

56. (New) A developer supply container according to Claim 55, wherein one of said closing portions is caused to re-close said discharge opening by rotation of said shutter member through a predetermined angle in one rotational direction, and another one of said closing portions is caused to re-close said discharge opening by rotation of said shutter member through said predetermined angle in the other rotational direction.

57. (New) A developer supply container according to Claim 55, wherein said communicating portions and said closing portions are provided alternately in the rotational direction of movement of said shutter member.

58. (New) A container according to Claim 57, wherein an opening operation for opening said discharge opening and a closing operation for closing said discharge opening are capable of being effected by rotation of said shutter member unidirectionally.

59. (New) A container according to Claim 57, wherein an opening operation for opening said discharge opening and a closing operation for closing said discharging opening are capable of being effected by rotating said shutter member in two directions.

60. (New) A container according to Claim 35, wherein said developer supply container supplies the developer to a developer receiving container which is detachably provided in the image forming apparatus.

61. (New) A developer supply container for supplying a developer, said developer supply container being detachably mountable to an image forming apparatus, said developer supply container comprising:

a container body configured to contain the developer;

a discharging opening, provided in said container body, configured and positioned to permit discharge of the developer from said container body; and

a shutter member configured and positioned to open and close said discharging opening by rotation thereof,

wherein said shutter member includes a closing portion capable of re-closing said discharging opening irrespective of the rotational direction of movement of said shutter member.

62. (New) A developer supply container according to Claim 61, wherein said shutter member includes a plurality of said closing portions.

63. (New) A developer supply container according to Claim 62, wherein one of said closing portions is caused to re-close said discharging opening by rotation of said shutter member through a predetermined angle in one rotational direction, and another one of said closing portions is caused to re-close said discharging opening by the rotation of said shutter member through said predetermined angle in the other rotational direction.

64. (New) A container according to Claim 61, wherein said developer supply container supplies the developer to a developer receiving container which is detachably provided in the image forming apparatus.